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Rouleau-Envelope.

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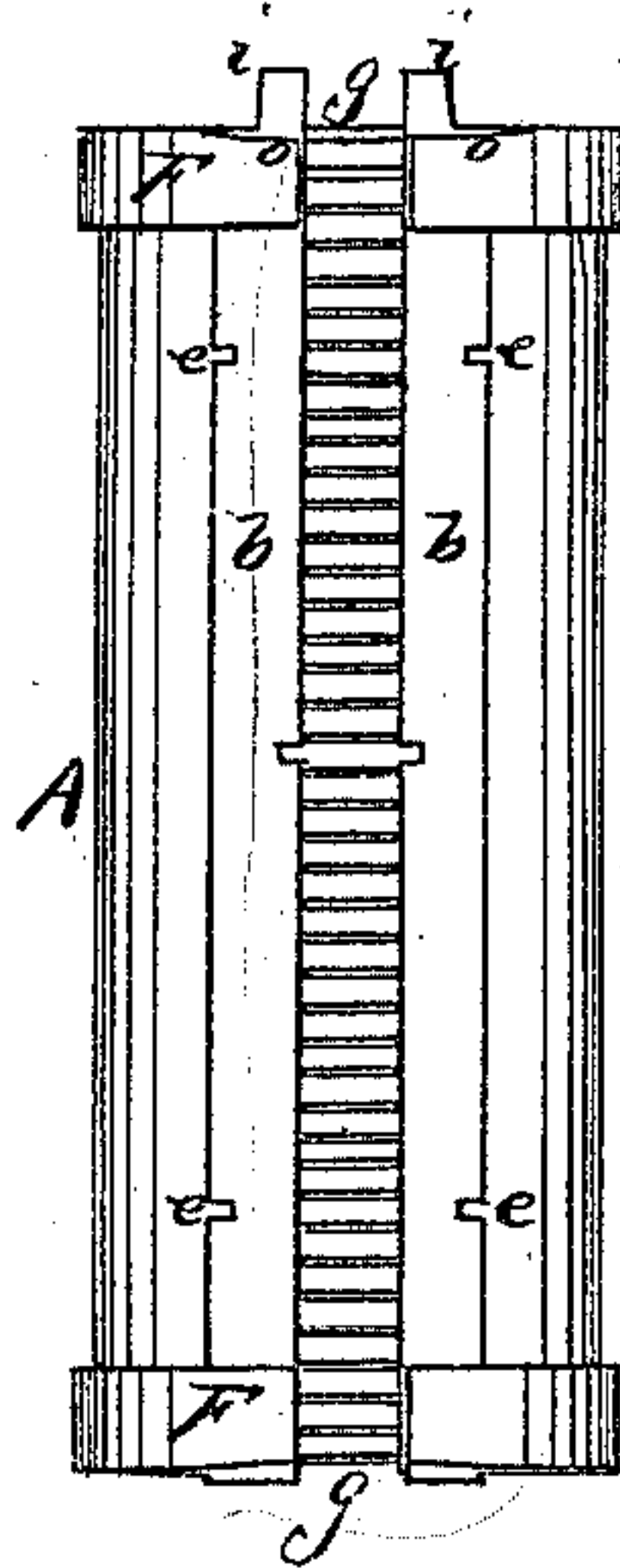


Fig. 1.

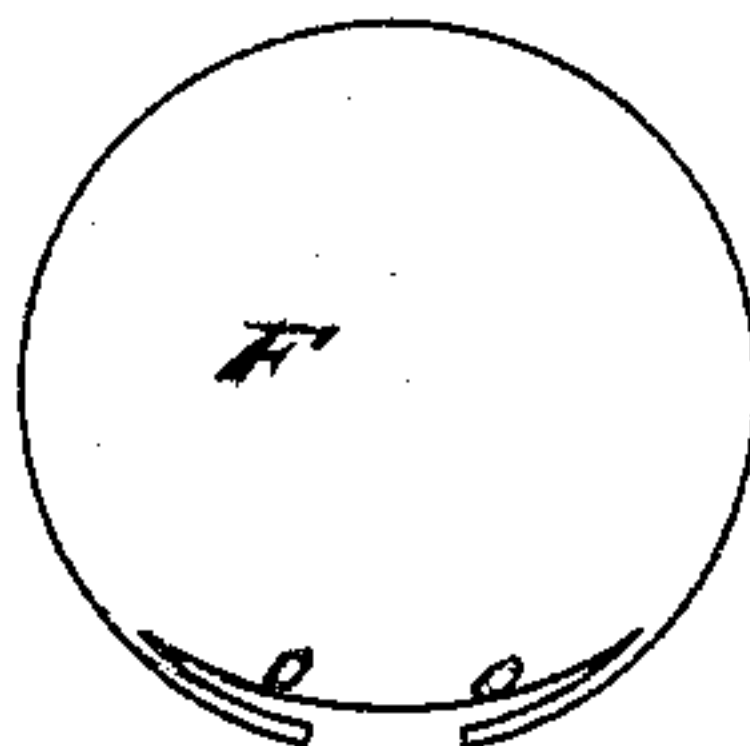


Fig. 2.

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IMPROVEMENT IN ROULEAU-ENVELOPES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANDREW J. GOVE, of San Francisco city and county, State of California, have invented a Coin-Envelope; and I do hereby declare the following description and accompanying drawing are sufficient to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which it most nearly appertains to make and use my said invention without further invention or experiment.

My invention relates to an envelope-wrapper or package for containing coin in specific quantities, and especially silver half dollars, in order to render them more convenient for handling as a commercial medium.

In order to explain my invention so that others will be able to understand its construction and operation, reference is had to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my envelope, and Fig. 2 is a top or end view.

A represents a piece of card-board or other stiff wrapping material of the desired flexibility, which I cut of the exact length which it is desired to have the roll of coin, and of a width to extend, when rolled in a cylindrical form, almost around the roll of coin. The space *g* between the two opposite edges of this wrapper forms a slot the entire length of the roll, through which its contents can be inspected without disturbing the wrapper or envelope. The edges of this wrapper I bind with strips of metal, *b*, which can be made of waste pieces of tin or other metal, and one or more of these strips can be secured to the wrapper at different points between the edges, if desired. These strips can be secured to the wrapper in any convenient manner, but I prefer to stamp them out and leave points, *c*, which can be inserted through a slit in the

wrapper, and then turned down on the inside of the wrapper so as to form a fastening. The form of these strips *b* is immaterial. The ends of the strips *b* extend beyond the end of the wrapper so as to form a fastening for the end pieces. The coin to be wrapped is placed in this wrapper or envelope in a roll and the wrapper folded around it until the opposite bound edges are brought as near together as possible. A cap or cover, *F*, the edge of which is turned down so as to form a downward-projecting flange, is then secured over each end of the wrapper in the following manner: A small opening or recess, *o*, is made on the edge of the cap wide enough to permit the points *i* to pass through the edge of the caps, when, by bending down these points, the caps will be securely fastened to the roll. Both ends of the roll are thus secured, and a complete wrapper or envelope is provided. One or both ends of the wrapper can be removed almost instantly, when desired, by raising the points until the caps can be lifted off.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The coin-wrapper above described, consisting of the card-board *A*, or equivalent wrapper, binding and strengthening strips *b*, with their points *i*, in combination with the end caps or disks *F*, the whole being so combined that a slot, *g*, is provided, through which the nature of the contents of the roll can be inspected, substantially as above described.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal.

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